

### ***Special materials and situations***

Indianapolis/Marion County residents may dispose of hazardous household waste items such as paint or chemicals at one of our 3 convenient Tox Drops locations. For a complete listing of acceptable materials, visit our website at [www.Indy.Gov/DPW](http://www.Indy.Gov/DPW). For more information on Tox Drops locations and hours of operation, call 327-41TOX (4869).

### ***Holiday trash collection***

There is no residential trash collection in Indianapolis on New Year's Day, Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving or Christmas. Collections will run one day later for the remainder of the week following these days every year. Should any holiday fall on a Saturday or Sunday, there will be no change in trash service.

### ***Fall leaf collection program***

Each fall, DPW collects more than 8,000 tons of leaves from residences across the city. The program usually runs from October - November. For more information, contact the Mayor's Action Center.

### ***Other resources***

#### **Illegal Dumping**

Health & Hospital Corporation of Marion County  
317-221-2150

#### **Code Enforcement**

Department of Metropolitan Development  
317-327-8400

#### **Neighborhood Cleanups**

Keep Indianapolis Beautiful  
317-264-7555

#### **City of Indianapolis**

#### **Department of Public Works**

#### **Solid Waste Division**

1735 S. West Street  
Indianapolis, Indiana 46225

For more information on trash collection, heavy trash, holiday trash schedules, recycling or hazardous household waste disposal, please visit our website or call the Mayor's Action Center at 317-327-4MAC (4622).



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### **A Citizen's Guide to Trash Disposal**

News and Information about  
Indianapolis' Solid Waste  
Collection Program



*Greg Ballard, Mayor of Indianapolis*

## ***Solid Waste program rules & regulations***

Proper disposal of your trash each week will help keep Indianapolis clean and help build a world-class city, neighborhood by neighborhood. Efficient, on-time collection across the city is possible with your cooperation. Below are just a few helpful tips to help us serve you:

- Place trash at your curb or alley by 7:00 am on your normal trash collection day.
- Please bag trash properly before placing it in one of the following containers: 96-gallon cart, 5 - 32-gallon metal or plastic can.
- Please do not place loose trash in your cart or can.
- Place no more than 10 bags or containers out for disposal each week. You can also significantly reduce your total trash volume by recycling.
- Know what is acceptable and unacceptable trash.

Trash haulers should not collect before 7:00 am or after 5:00 pm. Please call the Mayor's Action Center to report any unusual deviation from these collection hours.

### ***Acceptable materials***

We will pick up:

- Standard household garbage
- Food waste and cloth
- Tires--one tire without the rim counts as one item of trash. One tire *with* a rim counts as one item of heavy trash.
- Shrubbery cuttings or other residential refuse--please tie the small limbs and twigs in bundles no larger than 3' x 3'. Each bundle counts as one bag or container.

### ***Unacceptable materials***

- Demolition, construction or discarded building materials like drywall, roofing, brick and wood
- Trees, large tree limbs or tree stumps and/or large amounts of brush
- Brush and vegetation from building contractors, commercial tree trimmers or lawn services
- Sod, fill dirt and trash from contractor clearing
- Paint, oil or other liquids
- Explosives, pathological and biological waste, radioactive material, ashes and sand
- Automotive parts like engines, rear ends, springs, fenders and seats
- Farm equipment, riding mowers, marine vessels or any other major parts
- Septic, human and animal waste (minimal amounts like diapers and kitty litter are okay)
- Boxes filled with trash and leaves

### ***Heavy trash***

DPW and private haulers collect two pieces of heavy trash per household, once each month. This includes the following items:

- Household furnishings like couches, loveseats, dressers, desks, tables and chairs
- Appliances like TVs, stoves, water heaters, softeners and ranges
- Bicycles
- Lawnmowers (please remove oil and gasoline first)
- Tires *with* rims

Note: Refrigerators, air conditioners or other items containing freon require special handling and disposal. Please call the Mayor's Action Center to arrange for collection of these items.

Please place your heavy trash out by 7:00 am on your scheduled heavy trash collection day. (Call the Mayor's Action Center for your collection dates.)

For a small fee, you may take extra items to the Citizens' Saturday Drop-off Site on Saturdays between 8:00 am - 4:00 pm, which is located at 2700 S. Belmont. Please do not leave uncollected items out until the next collection day.

### ***Recycling programs***

DPW offers free drop-off recycling for your convenience at 29 locations throughout the city and curbside recycling for a nominal fee. By recycling, you can reduce your total trash volume and make a positive impact on our planet.

#### Drop-off recycling

Our drop-off program accepts the following items:

- Steel and aluminum cans
- Aerosol cans
- Green, brown and clear glass
- #1 and #2 plastics
- Newspapers

#### Curbside recycling

For a minimal monthly fee, a hauler will pick up your recyclables at the curb every week, usually on the same day as your regular trash removal. You will be provided a recycling bin, in which you can place the recyclable items noted above. Call the Mayor's Action Center for more information or to sign up.

Visit our website at [www.Indy.Gov/DPW](http://www.Indy.Gov/DPW) to find to find a list of drop-off recycling locations in Indianapolis.